

REPORT OF SHIPPING EDITOR OF LLOYD'S
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Since 1948 the Office of Naval Intelligence of the United States Navy in London has been in close touch with Lloyd's on matters relating to shipping intelligence and it is evident by the increasing number of calls made on our services that these services are proving satisfactory. During the past few years the increase has become very noticeable and it is felt that as a wider knowledge of Lloyd's shipping intelligence organization becomes known, not only to the United States authorities in London but also in Washington, an even greater demand for assistance from Lloyd's may be reasonably expected.

It is not possible to place on record the precise details of the many inquiries received at Lloyd's from the United States Navy and Embassy in London as the majority of these inquiries are over the telephone. Some are of a simple nature such as a ship's movement but others often involve considerable research and necessitate Lloyd's making special inquiries of their agents to obtain the required information. The value attaching to these inquiries lies in the usually satisfactory answers that Lloyd's is able to supply.

It would appear that the general trend of these inquiries relates to the activities of the Russian merchant fleets and the merchant fleets of her satellites. In this connection Lloyd's furnishes daily to the O.N.I. in London and Washington a valuable return showing the reports received at Lloyd's of all movements of Russian merchant vessels together with a similar list of the movements of vessels owned by the Russian satellite countries. Lloyd's also supplies to the O.N.I. a daily list of the movements of vessels of all nationalities which, according to reports received from Lloyd's Agents and other reliable sources, are bound for or have arrived from ports in Russia and other "iron curtain" countries including Communist China, together with such reports as are received at Lloyd's of definite arrivals of vessels at and sailings from these "iron curtain" ports. Also included are vessels of which information has been received that they are loading for and/or have been fixed to load cargoes at "iron curtain" ports. This last list is of importance, giving as it does some idea of the volume of trade between countries of the Russian "bloc" and other countries and to a lesser degree throws some light on the imports and exports involved. These lists contain additional movements which are not printed in Lloyd's publications.

A daily list is also supplied to the O.N.I. showing the positions of American ships as reported by wireless, in the North Atlantic, Mediterranean and European waters.

Requests have been received for the following:

Particulars of new tonnage under construction or launched in any country for the Russian or Russian satellite countries together with casualties sustained by, and particularly losses of, merchant vessels of those flags which can be reported to Lloyd's. This

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Information enables some check to be kept on the additions or losses to the merchant fleets of these countries.

Any interesting item received from Lloyd's Agents or other sources which has any bearing on the sales of ships to Panamanian or other possibly doubtful registries when it is suspected that such sales will be eventually to Russian controlled countries. The attention of the O.N.I. is also drawn to any fixture or voyage which in the experience of the staff at Lloyd's is of an "interesting" or suspect nature.

Transfers of vessels to Liberian registry.

Information concerning owners, particularly of a new company which may have the appearance of a suspicious connection, with a view to ascertaining the real ownership or connection.

Lloyd's is also asked to check certain reports received by the United States authorities relating to a ship's position. In some of these cases Lloyd's have corrected false reports.

Information received from various sources relating to conditions and/or facilities at Russian or Russian satellite ports; new services in operation or projected etc.

From time to time inquiries are received in connection with a particular ship's movements which movements can only be checked by reference to Lloyd's Records. Lloyd's assistance is also occasionally required in identifying ships in particular areas and whose names have been mutilated in transmission.

During the course of a year some four million movements, casualties and wireless reports are received at Lloyd's. Those reports are carefully and critically examined and corrected when necessary and prepared for publication and for Lloyd's Records by a very experienced staff. Frequently owing to various reasons such as errors in transmission, mutilations, duplication of names, careless copying of or badly written original messages very considerable time has to be spent in verifying or checking these reports as a wrong interpretation can easily be made with serious consequences. In reporting, too, the sender frequently uses local terms and abbreviations in casualty reports which are unknown to the receiver or if the agent is not British or American complicates matters still further by his peculiar use and construction of the English language, adding very considerably to the difficulties in correctly interpreting the information. Only a specially trained and experienced staff can cope successfully with these difficulties. Much of this valuable intelligence does not appear in Lloyd's publications but is carefully filed for reference and it is this mass of important material which is also made available for use as part of Lloyd's services together with the knowledge and experience of Lloyd's shipping intelligence staff.

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MOVEMENTS OF VESSELS BOUND TO AND FROM
PORTS IN "IRON CURTAIN" COUNTRIES.

VESSEL AND FLAG.	VOYAGE	LATEST MOVEMENT.
WESTERDOK (Du)	Rotterdam for Wismar (iron).	Pd. Brunsbuttel Mar. 7.
TROJA (Ia)	Hamburg for Rostock (general).	Pd. Brunsbuttel Mar. 7.
AFRIKA (Du)	Antwerp for Rostock (cigarettes).	Pd. Brunsbuttel Mar. 7.
REKALIN (Du)	Neverwijk for Rostock (fruit).	Pd. Brunsbuttel Mar. 6.
JOMA (Du)	London for Wismar (iron).	Pd. Brunsbuttel Mar. 6.
SODERHAMN (Se)	Rotterdam for Rostock (iron).	Pd. Brunsbuttel Mar. 6.
ANETE (Du)	Stralsund for Hamburg (empty).	Pd. Brunsbuttel Mar. 6.
ELISABETH ARLT (Se)	Gdansk for Le Kochelle (coal).	Pd. Brunsbuttel Mar. 6.
NAROOV (Sw)	Gdynia for Rouen (Coal).	Pd. Brunsbuttel Mar. 6.
IDA FIET (Du)	Szczecin for King's Lynn (wood).	Pd. Brunsbuttel Mar. 7.
AKERA (No)	Gdansk for China (f.o.) (general).	Pd. Brunsbuttel Mar. 7.
SCOBBA (Du)	Rostock for Rotterdam (empty).	Pd. Brunsbuttel Mar. 7.
BESTE (Fi)	Gdynia for Constantza (empty).	Pd. Brunsbuttel Mar. 7.
HIERONIM PETERS (Se)	Wismar for London (wood).	Pd. Brunsbuttel Mar. 7.
CORNELIS B. (Du)	Ventspils for Rotterdam.	Sd. Ventspils Mar. 5.
BRUWERSGRACHT (Du)	Stralsund for Abo.	Sd. Stralsund Mar. 6.
HEILGA SCHROEDER (Se)	Szczecin for Narvik.	Ar. Narvik Mar. 7.
DORELAND (Sw)	Piraeus for Split.	Sd. Piraeus Feb. 28.
KJERNEBY (Is)	Bourgas for Haifa.	Pd. Istanbul Mar. 7.
KARIN SLEK (Tu)	Istanbul for Bourgas.	Sd. Istanbul Mar. 7.
JULIANA (Br)	Hongkong for Swatow.	Sd. Hongkong Mar. 8.
WILIKAI (Fi)	Constantza for Finland (f.o.) (petrol)	Pd. Brunsbuttel Mar. 6.
MERCATORIA (Ya)	Istanbul for Kijeka.	Sd. Istanbul Mar. 9.
UZICH (Ya)	Istanbul for Kijeka.	Sd. Istanbul Mar. 9.
BOLINI (No)	Bremen for Constantza.	Pd. Istanbul Mar. 10.
STADIUM (It)	Lisbon for Constantza.	Sd. Istanbul Mar. 9.
BAUTROVEN (Br)	London for Gdynia.	Sd. London Mar. 9.
BALDAVIA (Br)	Lulf for Gdynia.	Ar. Gdynia Mar. 9.
HOLLYWOOD (Se)	Kijeka for Suffi.	Sd. Kijeka Mar. 3.
HODENHAM (Se)	Kotterian for Rostock.	Ar. Rostock Mar. 7.
SAINTE LORENZ (Se)	Antwerp for Wismar.	Sd. Antwerp Mar. 7.
NUSSO (Fi)	Amsterdam for Gdansk.	Sd. Amsterdam Mar. 7.
PANBIO (Fi)	Hamburg for Constantza.	Sd. Hamburg Mar. 8.
ARETI S. (Du)	Antwerp for Gdansk.	Sd. Antwerp Mar. 7.
AVALA (Ya)	Kijeka for Antwerp.	Ar. Antwerp Mar. 7.
HYLOEBO (Du)	Aarhus for Wismar.	Sd. Aarhus Mar. 7.
CLAIRE T. (Br)	Hamburg for Tsingtao.	Sd. Hamburg Mar. 9.
PINCE (No)	Bansholm for Szczecin.	Ar. Szczecin Mar. 7.
LAMESAND (Se)	Szczecin for Malmo.	Sd. Szczecin Mar. 7 and Ar. Malmo Mar. 8.
OLYMPIA (Fi)	Nordenham for Gdynia.	Sd. Nordenham Mar. 8.
ALIANKON (Gr)	Tsingtao for Europe.	Sd. Tsingtao Feb. 26.
HAFNIA (Du)	Szczecin for Copenhagen.	Ar. Copenhagen Mar. 9.
JULIES (Du)	Copenhagen for Szczecin.	Sd. Copenhagen Mar. 7.
CLAUS (Se)	Ustka for Ystad.	Ar. Ystad Mar. 9.
GNOM (Se)	Ustka for Ystad.	Ar. Ystad Mar. 9.
HONG SILVERLOUD (No)	Calcutta for Constantza.	Ar. Madras Mar. 8.
ELPNAS (Sw)	Szczecin for Stockholm.	Sd. Stockholm Mar. 8.
GRANSHOLM (No)	Aleksund for Stralsund.	Ar. Bergen Mar. 9.
MORNING (An)	Odynia for Bergen.	Sd. Odense Feb. 19.
MOHILL (No)	Odessa for Guadeloupe.	Ar. Ft. Thomas Mar. 9.
HIERONIM PIETRO (Se)	Elouar for London (Surrey Commercial Rock)	Ar. London Mar. 10.
ARSTIA (It)	Split for Tripoli (Libya).	Ar. Tripoli Mar. 8.
UTOARD (Du)	Elouar for Belfayl.	Ar. Belfayl Mar. 8.
CHERT A. (Du)	Barkeveit for Hawsk (general)	Pd. Brunsbuttel Mar. 8.
BELTYANE (Du)	Battersea for Elouar (steel)	Pd. Brunsbuttel Mar. 8.
BALCANI (Fr)	(and other general)	Pd. Brunsbuttel Mar. 8.

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MOVEMENTS OF RUSSIAN VESSELS

<u>VESSEL</u>	<u>VOYAGE</u>	<u>LATEST MOVEMENT</u>
S. KIROV	Ventspils for Rotterdam (coal)	Fd Brunsbuttel Mar. 6.
ZAJA EKSMODERMAJSKAJA	Rostock for Murmansk.	Ar and Sd Kopervik Mar.
VERKHNOYANSK	Tallinn for Murmansk.	Ar and Sd Kopervik Mar.
LUBAN	Ventspils for Rouen (general)	Fd Brunsbuttel Mar. 7.
VULKOVO	Antwerp for Ventspils (general)	Fd Rostock Mar. 6.
NIKOLAI BAUMAN	Cerneuzen for Rotterdam.	Fd Flushing Mar. 7.
BRIVIBA	Klaipeda for Rotterdam.	Fd Flushing Mar. 7.
MARSHAL GOVCOV	- for Odessa.	Fd Istanbul Mar. 10.
OTEPAN KHALTSURIN	Durazzo for Odessa.	Fd Istanbul Mar. 9.
KOLIHOZIKA	Odessa for Venice.	Fd Istanbul Mar. 8.
KOTOVSEY	Odessa for Durazzo.	Id Istanbul Mar. 6.
ALEXANDR MATEKOV (presumed)	Rouen for -.	Dover Id E. Mar. 6.
KORON SIBUTCHENKOVSKY	Antwerp for Constantza.	Ar Gibraltar Mar. 10.
LIBAN	Ventspils for Rouen.	Ar Rouen Mar. 10.
VILOCIAEVSK	Rouen for Murmansk.	Sd Rouen Mar. 10.
HENRI LAMBUSSE	Rouen for Oekarcham.	Id Rouen Mar. 7.
NIKOLAI BAUMAN	Ghent for Rotterdam.	Ar Rotterdam Mar. 7.
S. KIROV	Gdynia for Rotterdam.	Ar Rotterdam Mar. 7.
BRIVIBA	Ventspils for Rotterdam.	Ar Rotterdam Mar. 8.
ALEXANDR MATEKOV	Rouen for Rotterdam.	Ar Rotterdam Mar. 9.
S.H.T. (trlr)	Amsterdam for Stralsund (empty)	Fd Brunsbuttel Mar. 8.

MOVEMENTS OF "CONTINENTAL" VESSELS

<u>VESSEL AND FLAG</u>	<u>VOYAGE</u>	<u>LATEST MOVEMENT</u>
SEN-TAVRI (B)	Bourgas for Istanbul.	Ar Istanbul Mar. 8.
THARILYAVIL (ML)	Durazzo for Constantza.	Id Istanbul Mar. 9.
CHRISTO CHIRVENSKI (Bu)	Sfax for Braila.	Id Istanbul Mar. 9.
CONSTANTA (Rm)	Haifa for Constantza.	Id Istanbul Mar. 8.
BLAGOI IASAFOW (Ru)	Stalin for Alexandria.	Fd Istanbul Mar. 8.
TEAKIA (Eu)(aux)	Bourgas for Alexandria.	Fd Istanbul Mar. 9.
LULIN (Bu)(aux)	Bourgas for Beirut.	Fd Istanbul Mar. 8.
MANGALIA (Rm)	Beirut for Constantza.	Fd Istanbul Mar. 10.
SULINA (Rm)	Alexandria for Constantza.	Fd Istanbul Mar. 9.
MIDIA (Rm)	Alexandria for Constantza.	Id Alexandria Feb. 28.
HELI (Ph)	Hamburg for Antwerp.	Sd Hamburg Mar. 7.
DRYGADY MAKOWSKIEGO (Ph)	Antwerp for Gdynia.	Sd Antwerp Mar. 7.
WIELUN (Ph)	Szczecin for Antwerp.	Ar Antwerp Mar. 8.
POZNAN (Ph)	Gdynia for Antwerp.	Ar Antwerp Mar. 8.
DEMITRI KONDYK (Bu)	- for Port Said.	Ar Port Said Mar. 9.
MANGALIA (Rm)	Lattakia for Constantza.	Ar Beirut Mar. 4.
CENCH (Ph)	Gdynia for Alexandria.	Sd Beirut Mar. 4.
KIEVICH (Ph)	Gdansk for Alexandria.	Ar Alexandria Mar. 8.
KUTRO (Ph)	Antwerp for Gdynia (general).	Ar Alexandria Mar. 8.
BOGATYR (Ph)	Antwerp for Gdynia (general).	Id Brunsbuttel Mar. 7.
LUBLIN (Ph)	Rotterdam for Gdynia (general)	Id Brunsbuttel Mar. 6.
GLASK (Ph)	Gdynia for Rotterdam (general)	Id Brunsbuttel Mar. 6.
BIJAYUPA (Ph)	Vizagapatam for Gdynia.	Id Brunsbuttel Mar. 7.
OLEZTYK (Ph)	Bremen for Rotterdam.	Id Brunsbuttel Mar. 9.
COMIN SHEDDORRA (Ph)	Gdynia for Port Sudan.	Ar Port Sudan Mar. 10.
JAROMIR IMBROHAT (Ph)	Gdynia for London.	Id Gdynia Mar. 5.
ELBLAG (Ph)	Lithuania for Szczecin (general).	Fd Brunsbuttel Mar. 8.
SLAV (Ph)	Gdynia for Rotterdam.	Ar Rotterdam Mar. 8.
SLAV (Ph)	Gdynia for Copenhagen.	Ar Larnia Mar. 7.
SLAV (Ph)	Gdynia for Copenhagen.	Id Copenhagen Mar. 8.

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VESSELS LOADING GENERAL CARGO FOR PORTS IN "IRON CURTAIN" COUNTRIES.

FORFROMSAILINGDubrovnik.

PULA (Y)	London	About Mar. 10.
AVALA (Y)	London	About Mar. 20.

Gdynia.

JAROSLAW MYSLECKI (Pl)	London	Mar. 12.
BALTRUM (Br)	London	Mar. 18.
LUGH (Fr)	Hull	Mar. 13.
BALTAZIA (Br)	Hull	Mar. 18.
ROKUM (Du)	Antwerp	Mar. 25.

Rijeka.

PULA (Y)	London	About Mar. 10.
AVALA (Y)	London	About Mar. 20.
CAVADOC (Br)	London	End Mar.
BANTHA (Br)	Liverpool	Mid March.
BANTHIA (Br)	Glasgow	Late March.
BAUER (Du)	Amsterdam	March 18.
BAUERO (Du)	Rotterdam	Mar. 19.

Szczecin.

DELTA (Pl)	London	Mar. 13.
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Texel-Har.

AGAMING (Br)	Birkenhead	About Mar. 30.
ASCALING (Br)	Gwansoe	About Mar. 18.
GAANTER EKKA (Du)	Antwerp	Mar. 31.
GAANTER EKK (Du)	Bremen	About Mar. 27.
GAANTER EKK (Du)	Hamburg	About Mar. 25.
GAANTER EKK (Du)	Rotterdam	April 7.

Tsingtao.

GAANTER EKK (Du)	Antwerp	Mar. 31.
GAANTER EKK (Du)	Bremen	About Mar. 27.
GAANTER EKK (Du)	Hamburg	About Mar. 25.
GAANTER EKK (Du)	Rotterdam	April 7.

Ventspils.

BELOONTEEN (Pl)	London	Mar. 27.
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